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#### **Economic and Employment Enforcement Coalition Garment Sweeps Throughout the State Produce Results – Tallies for the Week-long Enforcement Action**

- WHAT:** The Labor and Workforce Development Agency and its enforcement partners share the results of the statewide EEEEC inspections of the garment manufacturing industry conducted August 2-August 5.
- WHEN:** Tuesday, August 9, 2005 at 10:00am
- WHERE:** 320 W 4<sup>th</sup> Street, Los Angeles, CA 90013
- WHO:** Jose Millan, LWDA; Don Wiley, DOL; Len Welsh, CalOSHA; David Dorame, DLSE; Pam Harris, EDD
- BACKGROUND:** LWDA's Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Labor Standards Enforcement, Division of Occupational Safety and Health, and the Employment Development Department, along with the Contractors State License Board and the U.S. Department of Labor have partnered to form a multi-agency enforcement task force. This taskforce -- the EEEEC -- is dedicated to enforcing state and federal labor and employment laws aimed at businesses in targeted industries operating in the underground economy.
- Initiated by Governor Schwarzenegger, and funded in the 2005/06 budget with \$6.5 million and 65 additional positions, the EEEEC seeks to level the playing field for businesses that play by the rules. Not only does the EEEEC weed out the bad apples, it also educates business owners and workers on labor laws and regulations.